

PHOTOCOPY
PRESERVATION

Student Enrollment

1998

Total Number of enrollment – 52,718

Public School – 46,792

Private School – 5,927

National Center for Education Statistics, U.S. Department of Education, Digest of Education Statistics, 1998, Table 2, p. 11

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Racial Profile

Percentage of students in different racial-ethnic groups in private and public schools:

	<i>Private</i>	<i>Public</i>
White/Non-Hispanic	77.9	67.3
Black	9.3	16.3
Hispanic	8.0	11.9
Asian	4.1	3.4
American Indian	0.6	1.1

National Center for Education Statistics - Private Schools in the United States: A Statistical Profile, 1993-94

- Thirty-six percent of students enrolled in public elementary and secondary schools were considered part of a minority group in 1996, an increase of 12 percentage points from 1976.
- In 1996, 10 percent of the students who lived in a metropolitan area outside of a central city and who attended public schools were black, up from 6 percent in 1970.
- In 1996, approximately one out of every four students who lived in a central city and who attended public schools was Hispanic, up from approximately 1 out of every 10 students in 1972.
- The percentage of students enrolled in private schools increased between 1972 and 1996, rising from 5 percent each for both Black and Hispanic students in 1972 to 9 percent for black students and 8 percent for Hispanic students in 1996.

Class Size

At both the elementary and secondary levels, private schools, on average, have smaller classes. In the 1993-94 school year, the average class size was 24 in both elementary and secondary schools, compared to 22 in private elementary schools and 19 in private secondary schools.

National Center for Education Statistics, U.S. Department of Education, Findings from The Condition of Education 1997: Public and Private Schools: How do They Differ?

Teachers

1999

Total Number of Public School Teachers – 2,764,000

Total Number of Private School Teachers – 404,000